GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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Shortage of Doctors in AIIMS
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(a) whether six new All India Institutes of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) are not working upto their optimum capacity because of shortage of faculty and doctors, if so, the number of sanctioned posts in these hospitals and the number of posts lying vacant, the details thereof; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government so far to fill up the sanctioned posts in all AIIMS hospitals of the country including Jodhpur, AIIMS?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)
(a): A total number of 305 posts of various Faculty disciplines have been created for each of six functional AIIMS namely AIIMS at Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Jodhpur, Patna, Raipur and Rishikesh. Recruitment to various positions is done on need basis keeping in view the additional services and facilities planned to be added in the hospitals. Vacant faculty posts are being advertised regularly by the Institutes depending on their requirement. However, as high standards have to be maintained in selection, keeping in view the stature of these Institutes of National Importance, all the advertised positions could not be filled up. Institute wise details of vacant posts of Faculties against the sanctioned posts are given in Annexure-I. Various positions of Senior Resident and Junior Resident are also advertised and filled up on need basis by the respective AIIMS. The position of vacant posts of Senior Resident and Junior Resident is given in Annexure-II.
(b): To facilitate expeditious filling up of vacancies, separate Standing Selection Committee (SSCs) have been constituted for each of the aforesaid six AIIMS.
The upper age limit for direct recruitment against the posts of Professor and Additional Professor in the six AIIMS has been raised from the present 50 years to 58 years. This will make available experienced willing faculty of various Government Medical Colleges where the retirement age is 58/60 years.
Contractual appointment of Faculty is also permitted as a stop gap arrangement.
All the six AIIMS have been advised to take up another drive to fill up vacancies of faculty and totalling 1285 have been advertised.